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SAILORS HELP BUILD FLEET-SIZED HOAGIE AS FLEET WEEK 2005 BEGINS IN HAMPTON ROADS

NORFOLK, VA—Sailors from commands at Naval Station Norfolk will join an attempt to build a hoagie sandwich Wednesday morning (Oct. 12) that would be longer than the combined length of three aircraft carriers and a destroyer. The event begins the week-long celebration of Hampton Roads Fleet Week 2005.

The Sailors, joined by associates from the Wawa convenience store chain, will begin the competition at 5 a.m. in time to serve the 4,000 foot-long hoagie to Sailors on the Naval Station waterfront by lunch time. The event is open only to DOD ID card holders.

More than 7,000 pounds of ingredients will be used to build the hoagie, including 3,960 lbs. of rolls, 378 lbs. of cheese, 396 lbs. each of salami, ham and prosciutto, 414 lbs. of lettuce, 690 lbs. of tomatoes, 518 lbs. of onions, and 18 lbs. of oregano.

Hampton Roads Fleet Week is an annual event celebrating the long-standing relationship between the community and the military in Hampton Roads. This year marks the Navy's 230th birthday.

For a complete list of Fleet Week events visit the Fleet Week web site:

<http://www.cnrma.navy.mil/fw2005.htm>

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Note for Editors: News media may cover the event live. Please be at the Navy Tour and Information Center, 9709 Hampton Blvd. by 4:30 a.m., Oct. 12, 2005. If you will be bringing a live truck please contact the Naval Station Norfolk Public Affairs Office at 322-2788.